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4.—(a) No rules have been laid down by Government as to the manner in which collections for Police Sports should be *spent*. The irregularities committed by the District Superintendent of Police, South Kanara, in connexion with the Police Sports held in October 1927 at Mangalore were in the issue of notices and the collection of subscriptions which did not follow strictly the rules laid down by Government :—

- (1) the notice was not published in the District Gazette;
  - (2) copies of the notice were not sent to public offices and institutions;
  - (3) it was not directed that the subscriptions were to be sent only to the District or Deputy Superintendent of Police; and
  - (4) a paragraph was included in the notice about His Excellency's attendance at the sports.
- (b) (1) Collections were made by inspectors and sub-inspectors: not by head constables and constables.
- (2) No.
- (c) The Government have no information; they have called for it.
- (d) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (d) of question No. 1414. The Government have called for details of any items disallowed.
- (e) The Government have no information; they have called for it.
- (f) (1) No.
- (2) Yes.
- (g) The Government have no information; they have called for it. If invitations were sent, a copy of the form will be laid on the table.

### Land Revenue

*Land revenue assessment on pakka buildings in the Madura Municipality.*

\* 1418 Q.—Mr. L. K. TULASIRAM: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

- (a) the total amount of assessment of land revenue in the *Madura Municipality* for the last three faslis;
- (b) the total number of persons liable to pay land revenue assessment for lands situated in the *Madura Municipality*;
- (c) the total number of persons in the *Madura Municipality* who pay land revenue of less than one rupee for lands occupied by them within the limits of the *Madura Municipality*;
- (d) the total number of land revenue bills of the value of less than eight annas collected in the *Madura Municipality* for lands situated therein; and
- (e) the total extent of land in the municipality which is now occupied by pakka buildings on which land revenue is collected and the amount of land revenue assessed on such lands?

A.—(a), (b), (c) & (d) The information has been called for.

- (e) The village accounts do not differentiate between land occupied by pakka buildings and other land. The Government regret that they cannot supply the information asked for.

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## Loans

### *Loans under the Land Improvements Loans Act.*

\* 1419 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether loans for coffee plantations can be obtained under the Land Improvements Loans Act;

(b) whether coconut plantations also come under the same Act or whether they come under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and what are the reasons for the distinction, if any;

(c) whether the Government will call for information regarding the circumstances under which a loan application for a coconut plantation at Udipi was rejected last year by the then Collector and a renewed application made according to his directions was rejected by his successor this year;

(d) whether the Revenue authorities can reject a loan recommended by the Director of Agriculture, when they are satisfied that adequate security has been given, and if so, on what grounds; and

(e) whether, in view of the fact that the applicant referred to above is a university man, who has taken to farming, the Government will consider the desirability of looking into the connected papers and granting the loan to him?

A.—(a) & (b) Loans for both coffee and coconut plantations come under the Agriculturists' Loans Act—not the Land Improvements Loans Act.

(d) The authorities competent to sanction a loan are set out in Rule II of the Revised Loans Rules and the conditions under which loans can be granted are in Rules I, III, V and XI to XXIII of the Rules. Compliance with any application is not obligatory. These rules are contained in the Madras Takkavi Manual, a publication available to the public.

(c) & (e) As it is open to anybody whose application for a loan has been rejected by the district authorities to appeal to the Board of Revenue and if need be to the Government and as the applicant referred to in these questions has apparently not made any such representation, the Government regret they cannot undertake to start an enquiry on the basis of the information these questions are apparently intended to convey.

## Village Establishments

### *Levy of fine on the village munsif of Lalgudi.*

\* 1420 Q.—Mr. S. MUTTAYYA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the village munsif of Lalgudi was fined for not visiting and paying his respects to the Revenue Divisional Officer when he was camping in the village?

A.—The Government are not aware whether or no the fact is as suggested. No appeal or representation on the subject has reached Government.